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## NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495)

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/24/2004
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/24/2004
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 06/24/2004
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/24/2004
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/24/2004
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 06/24/2004
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/24/2004
- Priority Documents filed on 08/18/2006

Applicant's response filed 08/18/2006 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 08/12/2004 have not been completed.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

• Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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